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REMARKS

In respect to the Examiner's requirement for applicant's election of a single disclosed species for prosecution on the merits, applicant provisionally elects the species of Group I consisting of Figs. 1-4 and claims 1, 2, 3, 6, 7, 8 and 9 readable thereon. The Examiner's indication of claim 1 being generic, is acknowledged.

It is to be noted that claims 9 and 10 are added herein to identify the arcuate and rectilinear movements of the towel support rods illustrated in Figs. 6 and 7-8, respectively.

Favorable reconsideration is solicited.

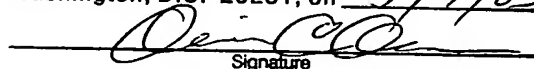
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Claims

B. Claim 1. (previously mended) A towel warmer and dryer cabinet,
comprising

a) a hollow cabinet having an open front side and laterally spaced side walls,

5 b) a towel rod support frame having laterally spaced frame members positioned adjacent the lateral side walls of the cabinet for supporting a towel support rod adjacent the upper end of the open front side of said cabinet,

c) at least one towel support rod extending between and supported by said frame members adjacent the upper end of the open front side of said cabinet
10 for hanging a towel vertically downward from said rod toward the bottom of said cabinet, and

d) means on the cabinet for mounting said support frame for movement of said at least one towel support rod through said open front side of the cabinet between a position retracted within the cabinet and a position extended forwardly of
15 and adjacent the upper end of said open front end of the cabinet.

Claim 2. (original) The towel warmer and dryer cabinet of claim 1 including means for supplying heated air current movement from within the cabinet

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forwardly through said open front side of the cabinet.

Claim 3. (original) The towel warmer and dryer cabinet of claim 1 wherein the support frame mounting means comprises pivot means interengaging the support frame and cabinet adjacent the bottom end of the support frame for moving said at least one towel support rod arcuately through said open front side of the cabinet between said retracted and extended positions.

Claim 4. (original) The towel warmer and dryer cabinet of claim 1 wherein the support frame mounting means comprises a pair of towel rod support members supporting said at least one towel support rod between them, and track means in the cabinet slidably supporting the towel rod support members for rectilinear movement of said at least one towel support rod through the open front side of the cabinet between said retracted and extended positions.

Claim 5. (previously added) The towel warmer and dryer cabinet of claim 1 wherein the cabinet includes back and top members extending between said spaced side walls, a lavatory bowl supported by said top member, and drain means extending from the lavatory bowl downwardly through the cabinet adjacent said back member.

Claim 6. (previously added) The towel warmer and dryer cabinet of claim 1 including a front panel supported pivotally on the upper end of the towel rod support frame for movement of said front panel between a retracted position

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5 substantially closing the open front side of said cabinet in the retracted position of said towel rod support frame and an extended position hanging downwardly and forwardly of said open front side of said cabinet in the extended position of said towel rod support frame.

5 Claim 7. (previously added) The towel warmer and dryer cabinet of claim 3 including a front panel supported pivotally on the upper end of the towel rod support frame for movement of said front panel between a retracted position substantially closing the open front side of said cabinet in the retracted position of said towel rod support frame and an extended position hanging downwardly and forwardly of said open front side of said cabinet in the extended position of said towel rod support frame.

Claim 8. (previously added) The towel warmer and dryer cabinet of claim 1 wherein the cabinet bottom is open and a source of heated air current is mounted in the cabinet adjacent to and registering with said open bottom.

Claim 9. (new) The towel warmer of claim 1 wherein movement of the said at least one towel support rod is arcuate relative to the frame members.

Claim 10. (new) The towel warmer of claim 1 wherein movement of the said at least one towel support rod is rectilinear relative to the frame members.